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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of May 8, 2007, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows. The claims are listed beginning at page 2, and the Remarks begin at page 13.